

Questions and Answers Regarding the RFA 2013 WPD 06 Demo Green Practices

Question: Page 10 of the RFA notes "Limit each project description to 15 double-spaced pages. "Was this intended to say "double-sided" instead?

Answer: That does mean double-sided instead of double-spaced.

Correction: Upon further investigation, we found that the double-spacing requirement is preferred by some reviewers because it forces a concise application, given the 15 double-sided page limit; however, we did provide the above answer to one potential applicant, and so we will stick with that answer for all applicants to this RFA. Please feel free to use 1.0 to 2.0 spacing.

Question: Does this 15-page maximum include attachments, such as resumes or project descriptions?

Answer: The 15 page maximum does not include attachments.

Question: May a non-profit that does not have technical expertise in-house partner with for profit ESD and installation companies to install BMP as part of grant opportunity 03, RiverSmart Communities OR opportunity 04 District Wide Innovative LID/GI Feasibility and Demonstration program

Answer: Partnering with a for-profit to provide those services for both projects is fine. In your budget, that company will appear on a contracting line (this might just say "contractor" in the budget, or it may name a specific company).

Question: Page 32 makes reference to "at least 15 stormwater BMPs such as rain cisterns, rain gardens or pervious pavement." Does DDOE want an applicant to identify and propose 15 separate projects, each featuring a single BMP, or several projects each featuring multiple BMP installations totaling at least 15? Or does DDOE identify the projects and the applicants take on installations as they have capacity to do so, installing a minimum of 15.

Answer: There are two answers: RiverSmart Communities is similar to RiverSmart Homes in that DDOE staff audits properties and recommends and approves projects. The partnering nonprofit manages those projects. The expectations are two: that the partner will manage installation of all the audited and approved projects and that at least 15 of these BMPs will be installed in a year's time. The number 15 is likely also given to help the applicant estimate the cost of this work in order to present it in the budget.

Question: Is this a two-year grant like it says? If so, are the 700 RSH/350 Rebate metrics for one or two years? See p. 30 there seems to be a discrepancy between the stated

Project Period and Outputs and Deliverables. Are these outputs and deliverables for a 1 year or 2 year time frame? Please clarify.

Answer: The deliverables are set up for 1 year, but that we can amend the grant for another year for a total of 2. In two years the deliverables would total 1400 RSH/700 Rebates.

Question: For the RiverSmart Tree Installation and Rebate Program, is it known now if these are considered DC or federal funds (with respect to the SAM registration requirement on Page 20)?

Answer: While funding source changes do sometimes occur, we currently plan to use DDOE revenue funds for this work. We do not expect to see this change, but if that happens, we will tell the subgrantee asap so that they can register with SAM in advance of the change.